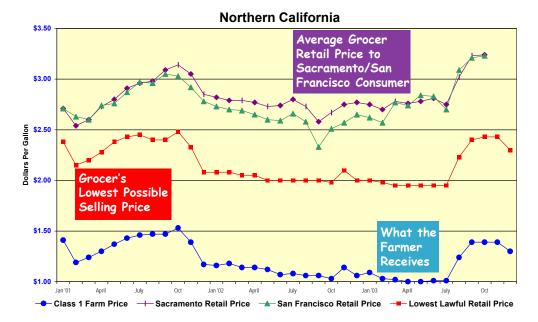
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Price Comparison: Class 1 Farm Prices, Average Whole Milk Retail Prices, Lowest Lawful Whole Milk Retail Prices - Northern and Southern California

Northern California:

- The price spread between what the farmer receives and the lowest lawful retail price was \$0.88-\$1.04
- Sacramento average retail whole milk price ranged from \$0.33-\$0.86 over the lowest lawful price
- San Francisco average retail whole milk price ranged from \$0.33-\$0.89 over the lowest lawful price



Southern California:

- The price spread between what the farmer receives and the lowest lawful retail price was \$0.84-\$1.22
- Los Angeles average retail whole milk price ranged from \$0.41-\$0.82 over the lowest lawful price
- San Diego average retail whole milk price ranged from \$0.29-\$0.77 over the lowest lawful price

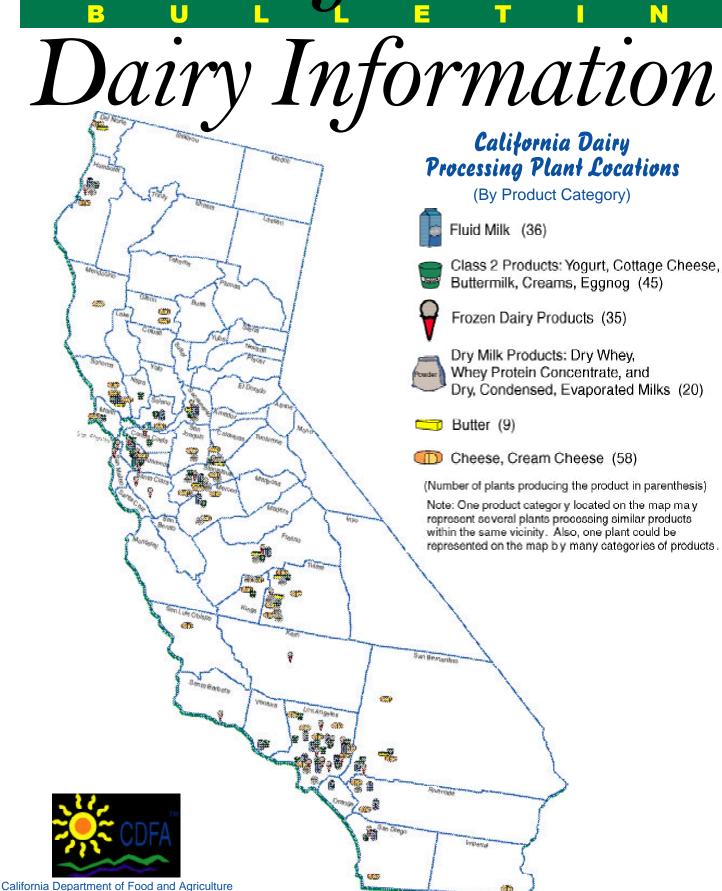


Southern California Average Grocer Retail Price to Los Angeles/San Diego Čonsumer Dollars Per Gallon Grocer's Lowest Possible \$2.00 Selling Price What the Farmer Receives Jan '02 Class 1 Farm Price Los Angeles Retail Price San Diego Retail Price

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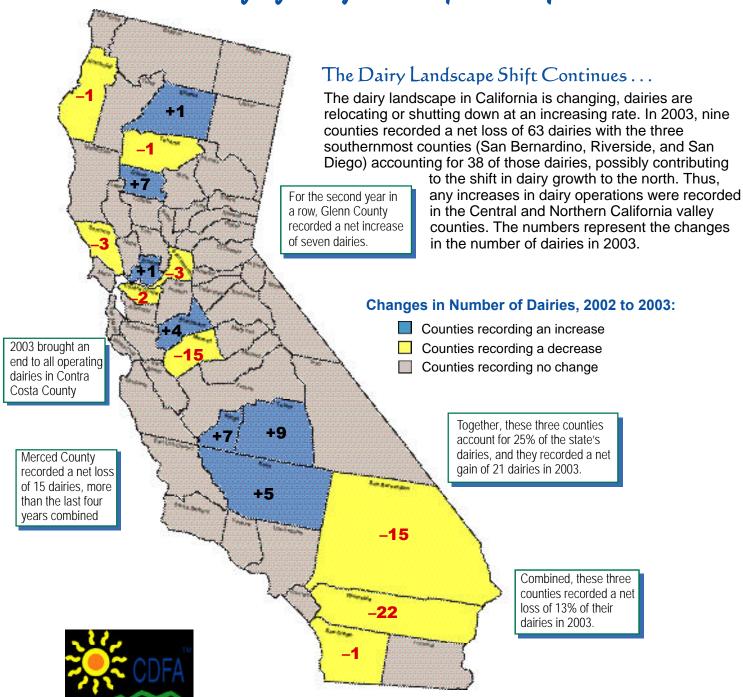
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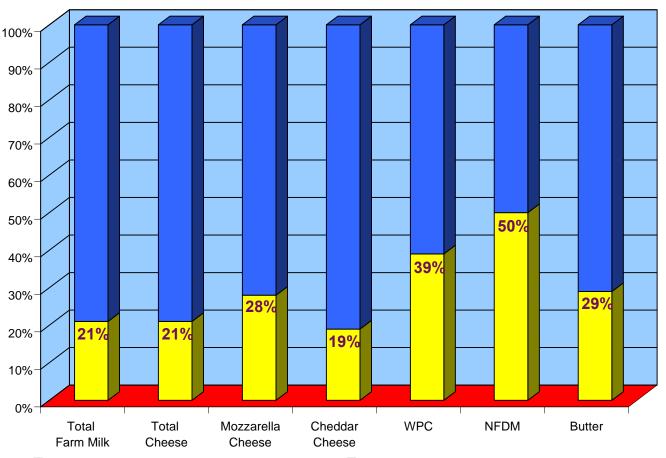
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The Changing Dairy Landscape in California . . .



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California Share of U.S. Production Selected Products, 2003



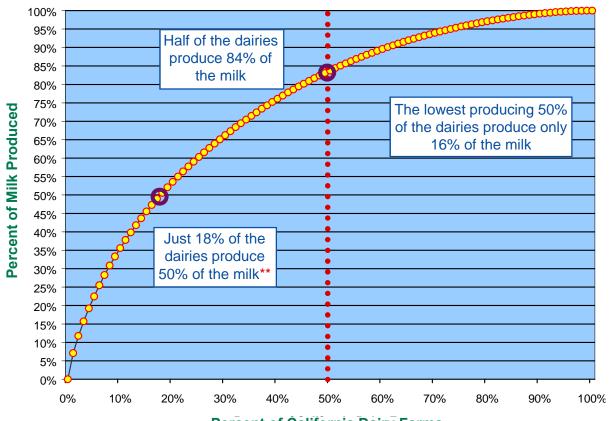
- California Share of U.S. Production
- Other States' Share of U.S. Production
- California continues to lead the nation in the production of milk, butter, nonfat dry milk (NFDM), Mozzarella cheese, American cheese, ice cream (hard), and whey protein concentrate (WPC).
- California's 2003 total milk production increased 1.1 percent to 35.4 billion pounds as compared to 2002.
- California continued to capture a major share of total U. S. Production of farm milk (21%), total cheese (21%), Mozzarella cheese (28%), Cheddar cheese (19%), whey protein concentrate (39%), NFDM (50%), and butter (29%).

Sources: Preliminary 2003 data from CDFA Statistics, USDA/NASS



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The Milk Production Landscape in California, 2003
What Percent of California Milk is Produced by What Percent of Dairy Farms?



Percent of California Dairy Farms

Dairy farms are ranked from highest producing to lowest producing

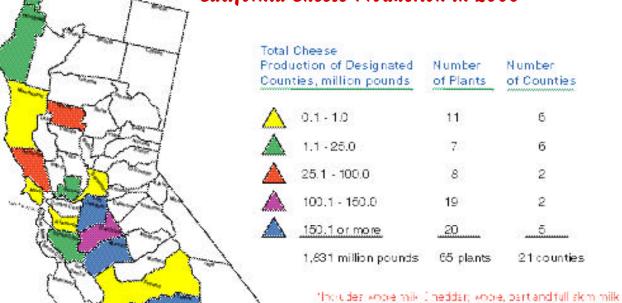
Source: Milk Pooling Branch, CDFA



^{**} The highest producing 18% of California's dairies produce as much milk as the lowest producing 28 states in the U.S.

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Where's the Cheese?
California Cheese Production in 2003



Thoruses whole milk I hedder; whole, part and full akim milk Monterey, Mozzare a, Provolone, Parmesan, and Ricotta; full akim Hispanic; Farmstead; I ream Cheese; and other whole and part akim milk (neeses).

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Shares of Jotal Cheese Production, 2003

Monterey
15%

Cheddar
29%

Other Cheese
3%

Mozzarella
43%

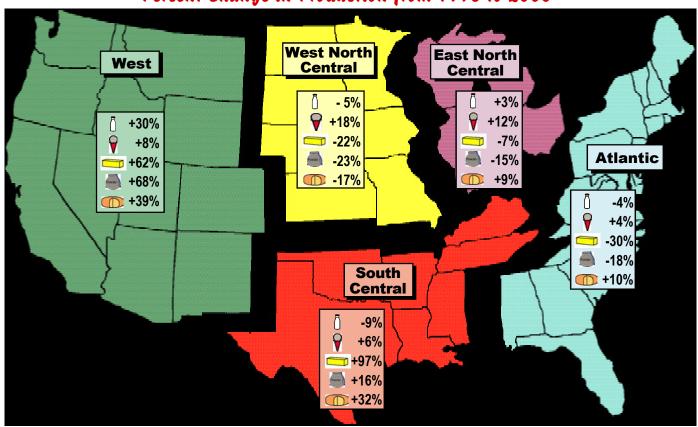
 The year 2003 showed a 6.3 percent increase in total cheese production to a record setting 1.83 billion pounds as compared to 2002.



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The West Is On A Roll . . .

U.S. Regional Production of Butter, Cheese, Milk, Nonfat Dry Milk, and Jce Cream Percent Change in Production from 1998 to 2003



Comparing 1998 to 2003:

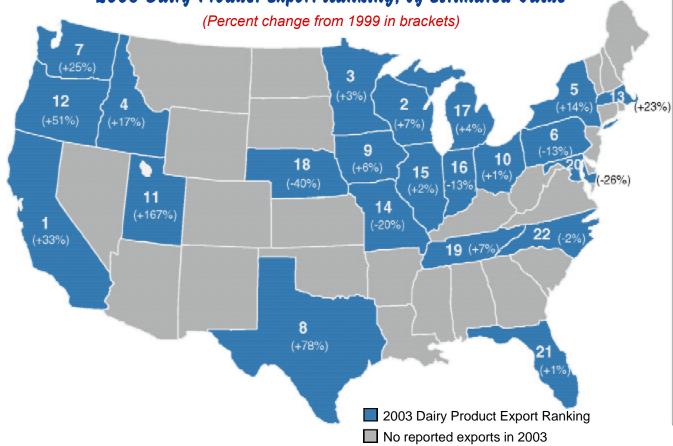
- The West was the only region showing increased production in all five products.
- The West North Central region showed decreases in production in four of the five products, with ice cream showing the only positive growth (+18%).
- The South Central region showed increases in production in four of the five products, with butter showing the largest single product increase (+97%) of all the regions.
- Ice cream production showed positive growth in every region.



Source: NASS Dairy Products and Milk Production

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California Takes Over as Leading State in Dairy Product Exports
2003 Dairy Product Export Ranking, by Estimated Value



- The top three ranking dairy product export states (California, Wisconsin, and Minnesota) accounted for 50.4% (\$520.8 million) of total U.S. dairy product exports.
- California's 2003 dairy product export value represented just 3% of the state's total agricultural product export values.
- New Mexico was the only state of the top ten milk producing states that reported no dairy product exports in 2003.

(See dairy export data on page 4)

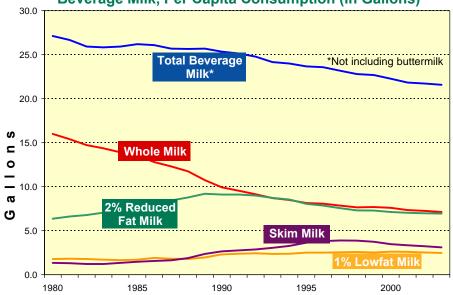
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U.S. Dairy Product Per Capita Consumption, 1980-2003 What Dairy Products Are Consumers Buying?

Beverage Milk, Per Capita Consumption (In Gallons)



Irends for fluid milk. . .

- Per capita consumption of total fluid milk showed a continual downward trend.
- Lowfat milk and lowfat flavored milk were the only fluid milks posting any gains in per capita consumption during this period.
- Whole milk showed the largest per capita consumption decline, decreasing 64 percent since 1980.
- Overall, consumer consumption levels of fluid dairy products has steadily decreased.

Trends for manufactured dairy products. . .

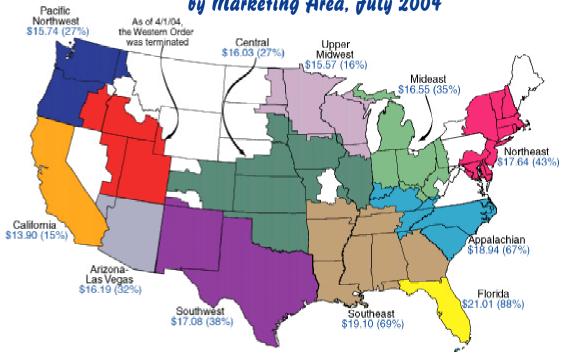
- Since 1980, yogurt (up 227%), total cheese (up 75%), and all cream products (up 120%) have shown consistent increases in per capita consumption.
- The per capita consumption of butter showed relatively no gain, remaining at 1980 levels.
- Ice cream product consumption fluctuated slightly over time, but remains at 1980 levels.
- Overall, consumer consumption levels of cheese, cream, and yogurt products have steadily increased.

Dairy Products, Per Capita Consumption (In Pounds) 35.0 30.0 Ice Cream All Cream Products 5.0 10.0 Products Butter

Data Source: Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook; USDA, Economic Research Service

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Uniform Blend Prices and Class 1 Utilization by Marketing Area, July 2004



Utilization of Producer Milk, by Class - July 2004 Federal Milk Marketing Orders and California

California's Class 1 utilization percentage is the lowest in comparison to the federal orders, while the California Class 4a utilization ranks among the highest federal Class IV percentages.

Sources: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA Federal Order Statistics; CDFA Milk Pooling Branch

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California	CLASS 1 Fluid Milk	CLASSES 2 & 3 Creams, Cottage Cheese, Yogurt, Ice Cream	CLASS 4b Cheese	CLASS 4a Butter, Powder					
California	15%	9%	46%	30%					
Federal Milk Marketing Orders	CLASS I Fluid Milk	CLASS II Creams, Cottage Cheese, Yogurt, Ice Cream	CLASS III Cheese	CLASS IV Butter, Powder					
Northeast	43%	19%	25%	13%					
Appalachian	67%	15%	7%	10%					
Southeast	69%	11%	14%	6%					
Florida	88%	8%	2%	2%					
Mideast	35%	16%	44%	5%					
Upper Midwest	16%	6%	71%	7%					
Central	27%	12%	49%	12%					
Southwest	38%	14%	24%	24%					
Arizona-Las Vegas	32%	11%	35%	22%					
Western									
Pacific Northwest	27%	7%	33%	33%					
Average of All Federal Orders	36%	12%	40%	12%					

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Season's Greetings





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